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Officer Involved Shooting

Riverside, Ca- On Friday, August 3, 2007 at approximately 2:00 am, Riverside Police Officers were patrolling the parking lot behind the Denny's restaurant in the 1200 Block of University Avenue. A large crowd had gathered in the lot when the local bars closed. The officers were alerted to some type of fight or confrontation in the lot and they went to investigate. As they approached, they saw a woman pulling a man away from the confrontation. The man went to a car and retrieved a handgun that he brandished in the presence of the officers. The officers ordered the man to drop the gun. At least one officer fired at him when it appeared the man might fire at them or the crowd. The suspect was struck by at least one round fired at him. A bystander and a passing car were also struck by the gunfire. The suspect and the bystander suffered non-life threatening injuries and were taken to a local hospital for treatment. The officers were not injured. The suspect was arrested for brandishing a firearm in the presence of police officers. He is identified as **Dominique Thompson (19 years) of Riverside**.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is urged to call Detective Michael Medici or Detective James Brandt at 951-353-7100.